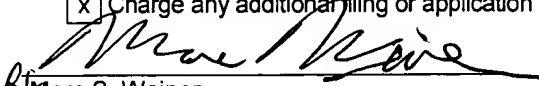


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Invention: SAMPLE SUPPORT				
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.				
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